# MISSION WORK

AMONG THE

# Negroes and the Indians

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# RULES GOVERNING APPLICATIONS FOR A SHARE IN THE MISSION FUNDS

1. All remittances and communications concerning the business of the Commission should be addressed to the Secretary, Very Rev. E. R. Dyer, S. S., D. D., St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore.

2. The Commission will consider only such applications as are received through the Most Rev. and Rt. Rev. Ordinaries, and will put at their disposal whatever allocations may be made for the work under their charge.

3. It will always be taken as a matter of course that a mission which does not apply for assistance, does not expect a share of the funds. Application must be made every time an appropriation is desired.

4. Those who ask for a share of the funds are respectfully requested to state as precisely as possible the amounts required for carrying out the various projects they propose to realize during the coming year.

5. The Commission also expects a detailed statement as to the amount devoted to each of the mission interests in a Diocese which receives an allowance. Only upon the receipt of such information can a new appropriation be made. The statements will be published in the next annual report.

By order of His Eminence, James Card. Gibbons.

E. R. DYER, S. S., D. D., *Secretary*,

St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Md.

# AN APPEAL

In Behalf Of The

NEGRO AND INDIAN MISSIONS

IN THE UNITED STATES

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Dearly Beloved Brethren:—

There has been among us the last few years a notable and most gratifying awakening of interest in missionary activities. While the needs of foreign missions present a compelling appeal, there are particularly strong reasons why we should redouble our efforts for the propagation of the faith at home—in our own midst. We cannot forget that, while the conversion of all without the Fold of Christ should be of deepest concern to us, yet the Indians and the Negroes have an exceptionally strong and special claim on our charity. It is no exaggeration to say they have the first claim.

For, though they may be strangers to us in the faith, they are not strangers by nativity. They are our own countrymen. They are the stray sheep starving and shivering at our very gates. It is a real case in point for the application of the old adage: "Charity begins at home."

Our country has a great deal to answer for in its treatment of both these races. The lot of the Indian and the Negro has been by no means a happy one. The red man—the original inhabitant—has been driven from all his former holdings back to the most undesirable portions of the land; while the black man has been held in thrall for generations. Nor is this all. Besides trampling on their rights and liberties, the white man has, in many instances, infected them with his own vices—vices which have sapped their physical, as well as their moral, strength.

And, though we cannot be held personally responsible for their wretched plight, we should nevertheless, both from motives of Christianity and humanity, sympathize with their misfortunes, and endeavor to right their wrongs so far as lies in our power. This we can best do by contributing, directly or indirectly, to their entrance into the True Fold of Christ—the priest directly, by missionary efforts; the laity indirectly by giving financial aid to carry on the good work.

It should be unnecessary to remind you that the present high cost of living enters, as a disturbing factor, into this, as into every other walk of life, and makes it imperative on those who direct the missions to seek for more liberal contributions than they have been able to obtain in the past. The price of everything the missionary needs to continue his work, has advanced in leaps and bounds; and unless larger subscriptions than usual are forthcoming, the good work must necessarily lag for want of the indispensables.

Even should it require a considerable sacrifice on your part to increase your contribution, it is surely a sacrifice well worth the making; for the benefits that will thereby accrue both to your own soul, and the souls of those whom you will be instrumental in saving, are assuredly above and beyond all money calculation. Your surplus means cannot possibly be better invested than in the Bank of Heaven which will return it with many, many hundredfold of interest. The Sacred Scriptures tell us that "he who causes a sinner to be converted from the evil of his ways, shall save his own soul from hell and cover a multitude of sins." And again: "They that instruct others unto justice shall shine as stars in the firmament." These promises apply not only to the active missionaries, who actually bring about conversions, but likewise to all who aid them generously—financially or otherwise.

The sole motive of gratitude to God for giving us that most priceless of gifts, the light of the true faith, should be sufficient, without any other inducement, to make us, not only willing, but even eager, to share that gift with others who have it not, and who are yet dear to the Heart of Christ. The old Latin philosophers used to say that "Good likes to spread itself." Where there is real, genuine goodness, it cannot rest till it has communicated itself to others. That is why God Himself undertook the work of Creation. And it is characteristic of all God's creatures who resemble Him most in goodness, to desire ardently to share what they have with those who are less favored. Goodness—real goodness—and selfishness are incompatible. The two are never found together. The selfish man or woman is never truly good, all appearances to the contrary notwithstanding; and vice versa, the truly unselfish person is never really or wholly bad. If you find people who seem good and devout, of upright life, and sticklers for all the external requirements of religion, but selfish through and through, you can safely conclude that the goodness is all in the seeming, it is false, hollow, superficial.

Generosity in our contributions to missionary work—a practical proof of our desire to share our faith with others—is both the

truest test of the depth and genuineness of our own faith, and the very best means of preserving and increasing it. It is, most probably, as a reward for their unfailing missionary zeal, that God has enabled the Irish and the French to weather the fierce storms of persecution, and to retain their faith undimmed and undiminished throughout the long, dark night of Godless oppression. And it may well be, too, that the defection of Northern Africa, centuries ago, from the Church of Christ, was a punishment for its lack of zeal in propagating the faith.

In addition to these motives of Christianity, humanity, and gratitude, our very sense of patriotism, and concern for the moral betterment of our countrymen, should incite us to do our utmost for the conversion of the Indians and Negroes. For, most assuredly, nothing can have a more salutary restraining and uplifting influence on them than the faith and discipline of the Church Catholic.

Let not this appeal fall on deaf ears. "Today if ye shall hear His Voice, harden not your hearts." The souls of these peoples for whom we plead are crying out to you, as the voice of the Macedonians to Paul the Apostle: "Come over and help us." The Lord God Himself appeals to you, in the person of His ignorant and erring children who are hungering and thirsting for the Word of Truth. If you hearken to the appeal, God will not be unmindful of you in your hour of need. "Cast your bread upon the waters; in time it shall return to you."

JAMES CARDINAL GIBBONS,
*Archbishop of Baltimore.*

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*Archbishop of New York.*

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**From January 1st to December 31st, 1919**

## RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Archdiocese of Baltimore | | $3,500.00 |
| " | " Rental on properties donated by Mr. James Brennan, Washington | 677.49 |
| " | " Donation of a student of Georgetown University, College Department | 5.00 |
| " | Boston | 8,432.54 |
| " | " Society for the Propagation of the Faith | 2.00 |
| " | Chicago—Balance of 1918 collection | 830.50 |
| " | " 1919 Collection | 3,795.00 |
| " | " Bequest of Margaret Ryan through Very Reverend Monsignor Hoban, Chancellor | 137.55 |
| " | Cincinnati | 1,500.00 |
| " | Dubuque | 2,000.00 |
| " | Milwaukee | 3,599.82 |
| " | New Orleans | 2,263.33 |
| " | New York | 6,500.00 |
| " | " Society for the Propagation of the Faith | 5.00 |
| " | Oregon City | 400.00 |
| " | Philadelphia | 13,557.60 |
| " | St. Louis | 3,175.00 |
| " | St. Paul | 1,200.00 |
| " | San Francisco | 1,750.00 |
| " | Santa Fe | 325.00 |
| Diocese of Albany | | 2,738.00 |
| " | Alexandria | 233.50 |
| " | Alton | 1,497.19 |
| " | " Donation of Reverend Bernard Zehnle, O.F.M., Quincy, Ill. | 10.00 |
| " | Altoona | 1,765.31 |
| " | Baker City | 226.50 |
| " | Belleville | 1,000.00 |
| " | Bismarck—1918 Collection | 324.60 |
| " | " 1919 Collection | 108.50 |
| " | Boise | 548.38 |
| " | Brooklyn | 5,388.47 |
| " | Buffalo | 2,000.00 |
| " | Burlington | 613.21 |

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|---|---|---|
| Diocese of | Charleston | 239.78 |
| " | Cheyenne | 189.68 |
| " | Cleveland | 4,073.25 |
| " | Columbus | 1,502.54 |
| " | Concordia | |
| " | Corpus Christi | 466.59 |
| " | Covington | 500.00 |
| " | Crookston | 50.00 |
| " | Dallas | 631.14 |
| " | Davenport | 800.00 |
| " | Denver | 700.00 |
| " | Des Moines | 400.00 |
| " | Detroit | 3,983.00 |
| " | Duluth | 111.55 |
| " | " Donation of Reverend Patrick O'Riordan, Two Harbors, Minn. | 5.00 |
| " | El Paso | 106.00 |
| " | Erie | 1,277.95 |
| " | Fall River | 2,077.17 |
| " | Fargo | 150.00 |
| " | Fort Wayne | 3,500.00 |
| " | Galveston | 891.09 |
| " | Grand Rapids | 1,196.81 |
| " | Great Falls | 136.55 |
| " | Green Bay | 1,250.00 |
| " | Harrisburg | 900.00 |
| " | Hartford—Balance of 1918 Collection | 36.00 |
| " | " 1919 Collection | 4,758.31 |
| " | Helena | 441.68 |
| " | Indianapolis | 1,837.64 |
| " | Kansas City | 800.00 |
| " | La Crosse | 1,742.00 |
| " | Lafayette | 614.61 |
| " | Lead | 165.00 |
| " | Leavenworth | 1,770.00 |
| " | Lincoln | 815.00 |
| " | Little Rock | 667.06 |
| " | Los Angeles | 2,100.00 |
| " | Louisville | |
| " | Manchester | 1,700.00 |
| " | Marquette | 550.00 |
| " | Mobile | 835.50 |
| " | Nashville | 416.24 |
| " | Natchez | 270.06 |
| " | Newark | 3,277.44 |
| " | Ogdensburg | 500.00 |
| " | Oklahoma | 275 67 |
| " | Omaha | 1,591.00 |
| " | Peoria | 1,659.90 |
| " | Pittsburgh | 4,445.05 |
| " | Portland | 1,250.00 |
| " | Providence | 4,300.00 |
| " | " Bequest of Reverend Edward F. Carrigan, Pawtucket, R. I., through Rev. P. A. Foley, Chancellor ($200.00 for Mass Intentions.) | 300.00 |

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|---|---|
| Diocese of Richmond | |
| " Rochester | 938.15 |
| " Rockford | 2,128.97 |
| " St. Augustine | 775.00 |
| " St. Cloud | 380.41 |
| " St. Joseph | 1,500.00 |
| " Sacramento | 922.70 |
| " Salt Lake | 485.00 |
| " San Antonio | |
| " Savannah | 1,370.16 |
| " Scranton | 505.55 |
| " Seattle | |
| " Sioux City | 741.92 |
| " Sioux Falls | 1,300.00 |
| " Springfield | |
| " Spokane | 3,550.00 |
| " Superior | 200.00 |
| " Syracuse—1918 Collection | 388.16 |
| " Toledo | 1,250.00 |
| " Trenton | 1,388.62 |
| " " Interest on the Doris Estate through the Reverend Chancellor | 1,500.00 |
| " Tucson | 1,425.68 |
| " Wheeling | 141.20 |
| " Wichita | 983.55 |
| " Wilmington | 480.48 |
| " Winona | 1,000.00 |
| Prefecture Apostolic of Alaska—1918 Collection | 50.00 |
| " " " " 1919 Collection | 50.00 |
| Vicariate Apostolic of North Carolina | 150.10 |
| Total Annual Collection | $155,971.40 |
| Interest on Deposits | $916.54 |
| Special appropriations for the Indian Schools through the Catholic Indian Bureau, Washington, D. C.: | |
| United States Government | $100,769.06 |
| Marquette League | 15,555.00 |
| Preservation Society | 12,817.50 |
| | $130,058.10 |
| Total Receipts for 1919 | $286,029.50 |
| Balance reported January 1st, 1919 | 23,145.23 |
| Total Receipts | $309,174.73 |

# DISBURSEMENTS

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|---|---|
| Archdiocese of Baltimore | $4,300.00 |
| " " Special | 700.00 |
| " " Taxes on Brennan Property | 87.44 |
| " Boston | 2,000.00 |
| " Chicago | 1,000.00 |
| " Milwaukee | 1,000.00 |
| " " Special | 200.00 |
| " New Orleans | 5,000.00 |
| " New York | 3,600.00 |
| " Oregon City | 1,000.00 |
| " Philadelphia | 2,250.00 |
| " St. Louis | 1,700.00 |
| " San Francisco | 1,000.00 |
| " Santa Fe | 1,500.00 |
| Diocese of Alexandria | 1,500.00 |
| " Baker City | 1,500.00 |
| " Bismarck—1918 appropriation | 1,000.00 |
| " " 1919 appropriation | 1,000.00 |
| " Boise | 1,500.00 |
| " Charleston | 2,800.00 |
| " " Special | 5,000.00 |
| " Columbus | 1,000.00 |
| " Corpus Christi | 5,000.00 |
| " Covington | 800.00 |
| " Crookston | 1,000.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |
| " Dallas | 1,200.00 |
| " Detroit | 1,200.00 |
| " Duluth | 1,000.00 |
| " El Paso | 500.00 |
| " Galveston | 3,000.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |
| " Grand Rapids | 900.00 |
| " Great Falls | 1,000.00 |
| " Helena | 1,500.00 |
| " Indianapolis | 800.00 |
| " Kansas City | 750.00 |
| " Lafayette | 3,500.00 |
| " " Special | 3,000.00 |
| " Lead | 3,500.00 |
| " Leavenworth | 2,000.00 |
| " Little Rock | 1,500.00 |
| " Los Angeles | 4,000.00 |
| " Marquette | 1,400.00 |
| " Mobile | 4,500.00 |
| " Nashville | 2,000.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |

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| Diocese of Natchez | 6,000.00 |
| " " Special | 3,500.00 |
| " Neuva Segovia, Bontok, P. I. | 5,000.00 |
| " Ogdensburg | 100.00 |
| " Pittsburgh | 1,500.00 |
| " Richmond | 4,500.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |
| " St. Augustine | 5,000.00 |
| " " Special | 5,000.00 |
| " San Antonio | 3,000.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |
| " Savannah, Very Reverend Ignatius Lissner | 6,000.00 |
| " " " " " Special. | 200.00 |
| " Seattle | 1,000.00 |
| " " Special | 1,000.00 |
| " Spokane | 2,000.00 |
| " Superior | 1,500.00 |
| " Tucson | 1,000.00 |
| " Wilmington | 1,000.00 |
| Prefecture Apostolic of Alaska | 3,000.00 |
| " " Guam | 500.00 |
| Vicariate Apostolic of North Carolina | 2,500.00 |
| St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland, for the formation of priests devoted to missions among the Colored People | 6,000.00 |
| Total appropriations | $148,987.44 |

EXPENSES—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Office and Printing Expenses | | $1,842.26 |
| CATHOLIC INDIAN BUREAU— | | |
| Office Expenses | $5,000.00 | |
| Transfer from N. & I. mission funds | $20,000.00 | |
| Special appropriations and contributions for the Indian Schools through the Catholic Indian Bureau, Washington, D. C.: | | |
| United States Government | $100,769.06 | |
| Marquette League | $15,555.00 | |
| Preservation Society | 12,817.50 | |
| | | $154,141.56 |
| Total Disbursements | | $304,971.26 |
| Balance on hand January 1st, 1920 | | *$4,203.47 |
| | | $309,174.73 |

* Balance held in reserve for special purpose.

# Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**From January 1st to December 31st, 1919**

RECEIPTS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Mother Katharine Drexel | | $41,263.70 |
| United States Government | $100,769.06 | |
| Marquette League | 15,555.00 | |
| Preservation Society | 12,817.50 | |
| Holy Childhood Association, Paris, through His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons | 3,500.00 | |
| Propagation of the Faith, Central Council, Paris, through His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons | 4,000.00 | |
| Donation of Extension Society | 1,000.00 | |
| Donation of the Society of the Divine Word, Techny, Ill. | 496.80 | |
| Transfer from Negro and Indian mission funds | 20,000.00 | |
| Refund of salary by a priest | 120.00 | |
| Interest on Deposits | 490.93 | |
| Catholic Indian Bureau Expenses | 5,000.00 | |
| | | $163,749.29 |
| Total Receipts for 1919 | | $205,012.99 |
| Balance on hand January 1st, 1919 | | 26,051.38 |
| Total Receipts | | $231,064.37 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|---|---|
| Indian Schools | $203,246.06 | |
| Washington Indian Bureau Expenses | 5,000.00 | |
| Office Expenses | 225.00 | |
| | | $208,471.06 |
| Balance on hand January 1st, 1920 | | *$22,593.31 |

* Balance held to be added to the contributions of The Preservation Society and Marquette League in order to pay the Indian Schools for the quarters ending March 31st, June 30th, September 31st and December 31st, 1920. It has often happened in past years that these appropriations to the Schools could not be met at the time that they were due. The Schools therefore had to contract debts which could be liquidated only when the next year's appropriation was made, and they had to look forward to repeating the same process the following year.

A bequest of $4,687.02 was made in 1912 by Mr. James Mahoney, of Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, California, to be held in trust by the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, the proceeds of which are to be divided equally between the Missions among the Indians and the Missions among the Negroes.

| Dioceses or Vicariates Apostolic | Negro Pop'lation | Catholic Negroes | Churches | Priests | Baptisms | | Schools | Pupils | Sisterhoods | Institutions |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | Children | Adults | | | | |
| Alexandria | 300,000 | 6,000 | 5 | 3 | 329 | 12 | 8 | 1,004 | Sisters of Divine Providence<br>Daughters of the Cross | |
| Baltimore | 275,000 | 28.000 | 6 | 13 | 648 | 160 | 13 | 1,597 | Franciscans, Mission Helpers, Oblates, Notre Dame, Good Shepherd | St. Elizabeth's Home, St. Francis Orphanage, House of Good Shepherd |
| Boston | | | 1 | 1 | | | | | Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament | |
| Charleston | 675,000 | 1,000 | 2 | 2 | 36 | 23 | 3 | 532 | Oblates of St. Francis | City Hospital, Colored Hospital |
| Chicago | 100,000 | 2,000 | 1 | 1 | 38 | 20 | 1 | 200 | Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament | Boarding School |
| Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | |
| Columbus | | | | | | | | | | |
| Covington | 76,645 | 105 | 1 | 1 | | 38 | 1 | 70 | Sisters of Charity of Nazareth | |
| Dallas | 250,000 | 300 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 260 | Sisters of the Holy Ghost | St. Paul's Sanitarium |
| Detroit | 100,000 | 1,000 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 3 | | | | |
| Galveston | 186,244 | 9,266 | 4 | 4 | 180 | 27 | 4 | 523 | | |
| Indianapolis | 70,000 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | Sisters of St. Francis | |
| Kansas City | 50,000 | 275 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 42 | 1 | 150 | Sisters of St. Francis | |
| Lafayette | 60,000 | 40,000 | 3 | 7 | 1,786 | 54 | 15 | 1,795 | Marianites of Holy Cross, Perpetual Adoration, St. Joseph, Holy Family, Mercy, Blessed Sacrament | |
| Leavenworth | 60,000 | 500 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 25 | 2 | 140 | Oblate Sisters of Providence | Guardian Angels Home Orphanage |
| Little Rock | 500,000 | 373 | 4 | 3 | 20 | 54 | 2 | 527 | Sisters of Holy Ghost, Good Shepherd | Colored Hospital |
| Louisville | | 2,491 | 3 | 2 | 111 | 46 | 7 | 448 | Charity, Good Shepherd, Loretto, Ursuline | |
| Milwaukee | 4,000 | 150 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | 50 | Notre Dame Sisters | |
| Mobile | 957,270 | 5,432 | 17 | 12 | (Total | 349) | 17 | 1,449 | Most Pure Heart of Mary, Mercy, Blessed Sacrament, St. Joseph, Charity | Hospital, St. Joseph's College |
| Nashville | 150,000 | 400 | 3 | 3 | 51 | 32 | 3 | | Sisters of Charity | |
| Natchez | 1,009,487 | 3,663 | 14 | 10 | (Total | 158) | 18 | 2,101 | Mercy, Holy Ghost, Franciscan, | Old Slaves Home, Colored Academy, School of Domestic Science |
| New Orleans | 100,000 | 20,000 | 8 | 14 | 866 | 125 | 9 | 3,030 | Perpetual Adoration, Holy Family, Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Heart, Im. Conception, Marianites | Orphanage for Girls and Boys, Home for Aged, House of Good Shepherd |
| New York | 250,000 | 6,235 | 6 | 8 | 235 | 86 | 7 | 1 | St. Francis, Blessed Sacrament, Charity | |
| North Carolina | | | | | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 31,000 | 600 | 1 | 1 | 21 | 20 | 1 | | | Day Nursery |
| Richmond | 500,000 | 1,500 | 8 | 7 | 100 | 184 | 8 | 1,327 | Franciscans, Blessed Sacrament | Holy Innocents Asylum |
| St. Augustine | | 2,500 | 3 | 2 | 58 | 21 | 6 | 608 | | |
| St. Louis | 126,000 | 3,000 | 1 | 1 | 31 | 19 | 2 | 262 | Bessed Sacrament, Providence | St. Francis Asylum |
| San Antonio | 100,000 | 700 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 34 | 3 | 535 | Holy Ghost, Holy Family | |
| Savannah | 1,200,000 | 1,360 | 10 | 8 | 85 | 206 | 10 | 1,373 | Blessed Sacrament, Franciscans, Colored Sisters | St. Benedict the Moor, St. Francis Home |
| Wilmington | | 600 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 10 | 1 | 196 | Franciscan Sisters | St. Joseph's Home, St. Joseph's Industrial |

| Dioceses or Vicariates Apostolic | Indian Pop'lation | Catholic Indians | Churches | Baptisms | | Schools | Pupils | Sisterhoods | Religious |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Children | Adults | | | | |
| Alaska | | | | | | | | | |
| Baker City | 1,500 | 575 | 1 | 31 | 9 | 2 | 77 | Sisters of St. Francis | Jesuits |
| Bismarck | | | | | | | | | |
| Boise City | 5,000 | 1,000 | 4 | 49 | 2 | 3 | 186 | St. Joseph, Providence | Jesuits |
| Corpus Christi | 64,035 | 64,035 | | 5,191 | | 23 | 2,516 | Incarnate Word, Ursulines, Mercy, Purity of B. V. M., Sacred Heart. | Oblates of Mary Immaculate |
| Crookston | | | | | | | | | |
| Duluth | 2,800 | 1,500 | 6 | 19 | | | | | Benedictines |
| El Paso | | | | | | | | | |
| Grand Rapids | | | | | | | | | |
| Great Falls | 8,500 | 4,400 | 10 | 220 | 60 | 2 | 440 | Ursulines | Jesuits, Benedictines |
| Green Bay | | | | | | | | | |
| Harrisburg | | | | | | | | | |
| Helena | | | | | | | | | |
| Lead | | | | | | 3 | | | Jesuits and Benedictines |
| Marquette | 15,000 | 13,000 | 5 | 88 | | 2 | 95 | Sisters of St. Agnes | Jesuits |
| Nueva Segovia, P. I. | 380,000 | 5,200 | 14 | 130 | 92 | 17 | 334 | Belgian Sisters | Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary |
| Odgensburg | 1,200 | 1,000 | 1 | | | 1 | 50 | Sisters of Mercy | |
| Oregon City | 1,297 | 699 | 2 | 23 | 8 | 3 | 700 | | Society of the Divine Savior, Benedictines |
| San Francisco | 1,465 | 615 | 5 | 23 | 26 | 3 | 50 | | |
| Santa Fe | 21,000 | 20,500 | 19 | | | 2 | 400 | Blessed Sacrament, Loretto, St. Francis, Charity | |
| Seattle | 8,500 | 2,000 | 9 | 46 | 1 | 6 | 819 | Franciscan Sisters | Jesuits, Redemptorists, Benedictines |
| Spokane | 1,400 | 1,000 | 13 | 108 | 16 | 3 | 104 | Sisters of Providence | Jesuits |
| Superior | 5,000 | 3,000 | 8 | 113 | 4 | 3 | 350 | St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, St. Joseph | Franciscans |
| Tucson | 40,000 | 3,500 | 34 | | | 7 | 655 | Sisters of Blessed Sacrament, St. Joseph | Franciscans |

N. B.—The statements which follow concerning the conditions of the missions are taken from the reports sent in by the diocesan Ordinaries in 1919, in view of the distribution of the funds to take place that year.

The financial statements submitted by each diocese refer to the receipts and disbursements of the preceding year, 1918.

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# MISSION WORK AMONG THE NEGROES

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## JOSEPHITE FATHERS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amount appropriated | | $5,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Joseph's Seminary, Baltimore, Md. | $2,500.00 | |
| Epiphany Apostolic College, Baltimore, Md. | 2,500.00 | |
| | $5,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $5,000.00 |

Very Reverend Lous B. Pastorelli, Superior of the Fathers of the Society of St. Joseph, writes:

"We wish to call attention to what we consider some pertinent features of the work of St. Joseph's Society during the past year. There can be no doubt that each year is increasing the hope that it is possible to make some pronounced impression on the colored race, if only those in the field are supported and encouraged by those who are in a position to give support and encouragement. In the last five years the number of Negroes in charge of the Society has more than doubled. The following items give some idea of the actual status of the Society to date:

"There are 71 priests in the Society. Fifty-one are in the various mission churches, 18 are in institutions, while 2 are preparing for the Seminary faculty.

"The Society has charge of 39 colored parishes, with 28 attached missions.

"There are in all the congregations in charge of the Society 28,177 souls, about one-quarter of all the Negro Catholics in the United States.

"The Society has further 49 schools, with an enrollment of 6,080 pupils. Ninety-seven Sisters and 25 lay teachers are at work in the classrooms of these schools.

"Last year there were 1,644 Baptisms, 616 conversions, with 284 people recorded as being under instruction.

"It must be remembered that this summary has been affected by migrations. Some of our parishes have lost as high as 100 members, generally the best. These people held by us a year ago are now scattered through the country and should really figure in any account of actual work done. The numbers given above simply represent the difference between the condition of the work this year and the work a year ago.

"Priests constitute a very crying need at present. During the summer we attempted to increase the number of candidates for the missions by sending priests to preach vocations in Northern Dioceses. As a result we expect the largest enrollment in the history of our Apostolic School. We cannot insist upon this need too urgently. The work of the Missions is being held back to an alarming degree by the shortage of priests. Hardly a Bishop but would start new missions if he could have the priests. Hardly a priest but sees the necessity for expansion in his own immediate neighborhood. It is clear that pastors, Sisters, and parents must do something to inspire the minds of boys for this, one of the noblest Catholic works in the country. Just now the Society is struggling beyond the limit of its manpower. God will have to take care of his missioners that none of them weakens.

"Five new parishes are ready for immediate reception. One of these will be located at Washington, D. C., another one at Newport News, Va., and still another one at Jacksonville, Fla., while two will be established at New Orleans, La. Six young priests were sent out on the missions this year and, God willing, we hope to have six more ready next year.

"Belief in the school as a great instrument of Catholic evangelization continues to grow apace. But schools must be schools and not ramshackle buildings and incompetency. The Society's aim is to have commodious buildings, efficient instruction, and wide scope of school work. One of the surest ways of convincing the Negro that you have a true interest in his welfare is to provide him with the means of a thorough education, under judicious guidance. He will always react to this stimulus.

"However, the Society is not neglecting the other recognized means of reaching the Negro. It has pursued a steady policy of

giving non-Catholic missions at stated periods. It is also paying a great deal of attention to church building and attractive Catholic services. The Negro, rising from a condition of poverty to a plane where he appreciates the economic possibilities of our civilization, will seek more and more neat and suitable surroundings, even in his moments of worship. It will be recalled that the great missionary movements of the early middle ages were followed by a period of cathedral building. Our churches for the Negroes can no longer be made hit-or-miss affairs, but should be constructed with some regard for propriety, permanence, and expansion. This will, of course, necessitate more money for which the Catholics of the country will have to be relied upon.

"Priests and Sisters among the Negroes appreciate fully the many demands made upon the Catholic pocketbook, but they feel also that the cause of the Catholic Colored Missions is not fundamentally more their affair than it is the affair of the Church throughout the country. They give their lives. They ask in return not comforts for themselves, but assistance for their people. They do not accuse their fellow-Catholics of being close where the missions are concerned for they know too well by past experience the generosity of which our Catholic people are capable. They are forced, then, to conclude that Catholic people do not understand the missions and their needs. If a way can once be found for bringing the missions to the notice of a great many more people than are now familiar with them the rest of the cause can safely be entrusted to the priests and Sisters who are at present working, or who will work in the future, on the Colored Missions."

## ALEXANDRIA.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Natchitoches School | $ 200.00 | |
| Isle Brevelle School | 200.00 | |
| Zwolle School | 200.00 | |
| Campti School | 200.00 | |
| Cloutierville School | 200.00 | |
| Mansura School | 200.00 | |
| Marksville School | 100.00 | |
| Sisters House, Alexandria | 200.00 | |
| | $1,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,500.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Van de Ven observes: "Our Catholic Schools are doing splendid work, and are the chiefest hope for the future of religion among our Colored people.

"Next fall the Holy Ghost Fathers, who are succeeding so well in the parishes of Alexandria and Isle Brevelle, will start a new parish for Colored people at Marksville. This will mean very much for the preservation of the faith among the Negroes in that section where on account of difficulties and prejudice many have fallen away from the Catholic faith in the past."

## BALTIMORE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $4,300.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Francis' Church, Benedict, Md. | $ 100.00 | |
| St. Frances' Convent, Oblates | 500.00 | |
| St. Mary's Church, Upper Marlboro | 100.00 | |
| St. Cyprian's Church, Washington, D. C. | 500.00 | |
| St. Mary's Church, Bryantown, Md. | 200.00 | |
| Mission Helpers | 500.00 | |
| Good Shepherd Home (Colored) | 500.00 | |
| St. Francis Xavier's Church | 200.00 | |
| St. Barnabas' Church | 300.00 | |
| St. Elizabeth's Home | 1,000.00 | |
| St. John's Church, Clinton, Md. | 100.00 | |
| | $4,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $4,000.00 |

The following observations are taken from the report submitted by the Reverend Chancellor:

The Pastor of St. Barnabas' Church writes: "We bought a new school and Sisters' Convent at a cost of $21,500.00, and the repairs on same will cost about $4,000.00. This was absolutely necessary as the old school could not accommodate one-third of the children of the parish. Two more Sisters will be added this year. We earnestly beg for an increase in the allotment to help us at least for a few years to carry the burden."

The other Pastors and Sisters who are working among the Colored people also make strong appeals for aid to meet their obligations and make necessary additions and repairs.

## BOSTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Old St. Patrick's Church, Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament | $2,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,000.00 |

## CHARLESTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,800.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Peter's Mission and Schools and Catholic Cross Roads, Summerville | $2,800.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,800.00 |

"There has been a large increase in the number of chidlren in the schools," writes Right Reverend Bishop Russell. "This is very encouraging. It shows that the Colored people appreciate the fact that they have Colored Sisters for their children." The Right Reverend Bishop adds:

"There is a crying need of a Church for Colored people in the northern end of Charleston. This section of the city has grown very much during the war. We have now in our city, one Church in the lower end of the city and a good school attached with Convent and Priest's house. We have in our schools about four hundred Colored children. Of these only seventy-five are Catholics, but all have prayers in common, and all are obliged to study the catechism daily. A very few contribute a small sum for tuition. Not all of these will eventually become Catholics, but it is safe to say that many will, and all of them will be favorably disposed towards the Church. Now in the upper end of the city we have a small school, but no Church and no priest's house. This is the most promising section for our Colored missionary work. The Catholics in that section are very zealous. They find it a hardship to pay car-fares for all their families every Sunday to go to Mass to the Church down-town, and they are begging me to procure a Church for them. They have already presented me an excellent lot for a new Church. It is a most desirable lot and free from debt. I may say that the field there is already for the harvest."

## CHICAGO.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Monica's Church | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

The Reverend Pastor of St. Monica's Church writes as follows with the approval of the Most Reverend Archbishop:

"After having been here at St. Monica's for two years, I have come to the conclusion that the work will never be a great success unless there are decent Church buildings for the Colored Catholics of Chicago. Protestants have numerous and large Churches, large crowded public schools. Catholics have not even one decent Church and a school which is altogether too small."

## COLUMBUS.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Cyprian's Church | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

"We could not be more pleased," writes the Pastor of St. Cyprian's, "with the progress our little mission is making in Columbus." "There were 116 children enrolled, with an average daily attendance of 85. Catechism is taught every morning, and all the children take a great interest in it although only 25 of them are Catholics. Our services are attended better now than ever. Instruction classes are held two evenings a week, and an instruction with Benediction is given on Sunday evening. There were nine Baptisms during the past year, and eight are now under instruction. The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament are untiring in their work among the Colored people."

## COVINGTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $ 800.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Peter Claver's School, Lexington, Ky | $ 800.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 800.00 |

## DALLAS.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,200.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Peter Claver's School, Sisters salary | $ 626.77 | |
| Paid on debt of Mission | 573.23 | |
| | $1,200.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,200.00 |

Reverend Father Sweeney, S.S.J., Pastor of St. Peter's Church, writes with the approval of Right Reverend Bishop Lynch: "Our school attendance at its opening this year has surpassed all previous records. Besides the day pupils there are also boarding pupils being kept in our school. Many of these latter come from outside cities. This year there are forty of these boarding children already enrolled. This has exceeded our best expectations, as many children who are yet to come are away in the cotton fields. It is a proof of the high estimate these people have of Catholic training, and therefore of the need of more such shools. The big majority of our children come from non-Catholic homes. Mostly all boarding children become Catholics sooner or later, and it was this view that led us to have a boarding school."

## DETROIT.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,200.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Peter Claver's Church | $1,200.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,200.00 |

We quote the following extract from the letter of the Reverend Chancellor: "The present pastor of St. Peter Claver's Church is a very zealous priest of the Holy Ghost Fathers, who has had many years' experience among the Colored people, and judging from his present success, he gives promise of accomplishing much more good work among these people. An increased financial encouragement will be a reward for his many hard struggles these first years, and will enable him to give his Church a more presentable and Catholic appearance."

## GALVESTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Holy Rosary Church, Galveston | $ 793.00 | |
| St. Nicholas' Church, Houston | 550.00 | |
| Sacred Heart Church, Ames | 657.00 | |
| Blessed Sacrament Church, Beaumont | 1,000.00 | |
| | $3,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $3,000.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Byrne sends this letter with his report: "We have five parishes in the Diocese of Galveston exclusively for Negroes, four have resident pastors, and Port Arthur is attended every Sunday from Beaumont. With the exception of Port Arthur, all these parishes have parochial schools, and are doing very good work. Through the generosity of the Negro Mission Bureau, Mother Katherine Drexel, and the late Bishop Gallagher, all of these parishes, Houston excepted, own their own church, school, home for Sisters, and priest's house. In Houston from the very beginning, the Catholic Negroes have occupied a property that was willed many years ago to the Annunciation Church for school purposes. This property at present is not near the bulk of the Negro population. It has greatly enhanced in value, and the Annunciation Parish wants now to sell it. This will necessitate the removal of the Negro church, and Father Gilman, the pastor, thinks it would be for the good of his people to use this opportunity to bring the church nearer to their homes. When the move becomes necessary, I think it can be arranged, that the Annunciation

Parish become again a patron of the Negro Catholics.

"I have visited the schools of these colored Catholics, found them well ordered, and filled with bright and good children. I gave Confirmation in three of the parishes, and was very much edified by the numbers presented for Confirmation, as well as by their piety. The Fathers of the Josephite Society are doing good work and are deserving of all the help that you can give them, in reply to the requests, which they make in their own letters, which we herewith send, and through the formal report."

## INDIANAPOLIS.

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| Amount appropriated | | $ 300.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Ann's School | $ 300.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 300.00 |

Reverend Father Bryan, Pastor of the Colored Church, writes: "St. Rita's Church for the Colored people of Indianapolis, which is now in the course of erection, will soon be completed. It is a frame building with a seating capacity of two hundred and twenty-five and has two large school buildings. The Colored people are very much enthused and are co-operating very well in the good work. Two Sisters of St. Francis will teach, and I anticipate a large attendance."

## KANSAS CITY.

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| Amount appropriated | | $ 750.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Monica's Church and School | $ 750.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 750.00 |

Reverend Father Cyprian, O.F.M., Pastor of St. Monica's, writes with the endorsement of Right Reverend Bishop Lillis: "Things look brighter this year, and the hope of development in our work among the Negroes is very encouraging now. On May 4th, 1919, thirty-nine converts were Baptized, and on June 15th forty-five received their First Holy Communion. The attendance at the Sunday services is very good, and the members show greater interest in the welfare of the parish."

## LAFAYETTE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Arnaudville | $ 100.00 | |
| Breaux Bridge | 100.00 | |
| Cameron | 100.00 | |
| Charenton | 200.00 | |
| Crowley | 125.00 | |
| Delcambre | 100.00 | |
| Grand Coteau (S. Heart Convent) | 200.00 | |
| Grand Coteau | 100.00 | |
| Lafayette (St. Paul) | 250.00 | |
| Lafayette (Rosary Institute) | 300.00 | |
| Lebeau | 200.00 | |
| Lake Charles | 225.00 | |
| New Iberia | 500.00 | |
| Opelousas | 300.00 | |
| St. Martinsville | 200.00 | |
| | $3,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $3,000.00 |

The following is taken from the report of Right Reverend Bishop Jeanmard:

"The new diocese of Lafayette offers a splendid field for mission work among the Colored. By far the larger number of Colored people inhabiting Southwest Louisiana are Catholics, so that it becomes a question here, not of making converts as in most other dioceses, but in keeping our own within the fold.

"Our congregations are so large, diocesan priests so comparatively few in number and in some communities prejudice is so strong even against the Negroes attending the same church as the Whites, that our Colored people cannot be given the attention necessary to keep them true to the faith of their fathers.

"The most practical solution of this problem is the establishment of separate churches and schools. But this again presents its serious difficulties, the principal of which is the lack of funds. The Fathers of the Holy Ghost have thrown themselves generously and whole heartedly into this work, and the plan of a separate church and school has been realized in Lafayette and in New Iberia through their zeal and self-sacrifice, and the unfailing generosity of Mother Katharine.

"The new parish of St. Edward in New Iberia was created since the last report and is doing untold good. The school opened with two Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in charge, and an attendance of 12 pupils. When it closed in June, its attendance had increased to 165 and a lay teacher had to be pressed into service. Two other

Sisters will join the staff in September when an overflow is promised from the start.

"I have just received the welcome news from the worthy Provincial of the Holy Ghost Fathers, Father Phelan, of his acceptance of two new parishes, one in Lake Charles, the other in Opelousas, the work to be taken up in Lake Charles without delay. Both these parishes have a very large Catholic Colored population. The Holy Rosary Institute here in Lafayette will not be able to accommodate the large number who have already applied for admission in September. Father Keller and the Sisters of the Holy Family feel encouraged by the splendid results achieved and the appreciation shown for their self-sacrificing efforts by the children and their parents.

"At St. Paul's, a new and commodious residence is now being built for the Sisters, and a still larger attendance is expected for the school this coming sessions."

## LEAVENWORTH.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Holy Epiphany Church and School Improvements | $1,000.00 | |
| Guardian Angels' Home for new school room | 1,000.00 | |
| | $2,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,000.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Ward endorses the following from Father Shorter, who devotes his time to the Colored Catholics of Leavenworth: The number of adult Baptisms the past year was larger than usual, though children under instruction, except in case of sickness, are baptized only under conditions that promise perseverance in the faith. We need larger buildings for school purposes. We could receive boys and girls as boarders in our schools if we had dormitories for them. The parents or relatives would pay the expenses of their board, the cost of their maintenance, but all other expenses would have to be met from other sources. Our cash outlay for our Negro institutions during the past year exceeded $8,000.00. The Sisters are content with having their necessary expenses paid. The priest in charge contributes all he receives from any source for the work here among the Colored people."

## LITTLE ROCK.

Amount appropriated ..... $1,200.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. St. Peter's, Pine Bluff, St. Bartholomew's Little Rock, St. John Baptist, Fort Smith, Sisters of Good Shepherd, Hot Springs, are mentioned in the report as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

The following is taken from the report: "St. Bartholomew's, Little Rock school, needs more class rooms. On account of the increase of children another teacher is necessary. The Y. W. C. A. is going to erect a large building to attract the Colored girls of the city. This will be a great danger to St. Bartholomew's mission. The Pastor will have to counteract this movement. He needs two rooms for social meetings."

## LOUISVILLE.

Amount appropriated ..... $2,500.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. St. Augustine's Church and School, and St. Peter Claver's Church and School, Louisville, St. Monica's, Bardstown, and St. Monica's, Lebanon, are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

## MILWAUKEE.

Reverend Father Stephen, O.M.Cap., has sent in a report and application in behalf of the Colored mission work of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, endorsed by the Most Reverend Archbishop. Father Stephen writes: "The work is very hopeful. It is becoming more and more a central school of mission work of the great Northwest. A number of pupils are now attending High Schools and even Universities. The school has pupils from nine different States."

## MOBILE.

Amount appropriated ..... $4,500.00

*Disbursements:*

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| Immaculate Conception Mission, Birmingham, Alabama | $ 350.00 |
| St. Peter Claver Mission, Mobile | 200.00 |
| Rev. J. Albert, S.S.J., acct. Chastang and Missions | 500.00 |
| Rev. Charles Hartkoff, acct. St. Joseph's boarding school and missions | 700.00 |

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| St. Mary Magdalene's Mission, Tuscaloosa | 500.00 | |
| St. Patrick's Creole school, Mobile | 225.00 | |
| St. John the Baptist Mission, Montgomery | 300.00 | |
| Rev. D. Rice, Mobile, acct. St. Anthony's, St. Bernard's and Prichard school | 300.00 | |
| Selma Mission | 300.00 | |
| St. Joseph's College and Tuskegee | 1,000.00 | |
| Apalachicola—new mission | 125.00 | |
| | $4,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $4,500.00 |

"The outlook for the Colored bissions," writes Right Reverend Bishop Allen, "appears bright and promising, in spite of the departure of many families during the year to Northern cities. All our missions report losses of this kind. Our schools are improving from year to year under the efficient management of the teaching orders. The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, the Sisters of Mercy, the Sisters of the Holy Ghost and the Cenacle merit our heartfelt thanks for their zeal and self-sacrificing labors in the schools. In the hospitals of Mobile, Birmingham, Montgomery and Pensacola, the Sisters of Charity have received and cared for the Colored sick regardless of Creed with the devotion of true Daughters of St. Vincent de Paul. We are in great need of priests and Sisters if the work is to be pushed forward with any prospect of success. There are 957,270 Negroes in the Mobile diocese and only 5,432 Catholics among them."

## NASHVILLE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Holy Family Church, Nashville | $1,000.00 | |
| St. Joseph's School, Jackson | 500.00 | |
| | $1,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,500.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Byrne reports:

"Missionary work among the Colored people of the Diocese of Nashville is making satisfactory progress when we consider the unsettled condition of the race. A new congregation has to be converted every year or so.

"The annual reports from the Colored Churches show a healthy increase in the number of Baptisms and Holy Communions during the past year.

"As everywhere else the schools are considered of the utmost importance in the work and fortunately now have a more liberal

patronage than heretofore. From present indications each will be filled to capacity at the opening of the coming school year.

"Necessity obliges us to make extensive improvements for the Nashville Mission. The Old Church was but a makeshift and has been for years a serious drawback to the work. A new site had to be provided and a suitable building erected. This we are attempting to do, but under present conditions find it beyond our reach to complete the building already begun. To complete this project and carry on the other Missions of the Diocese, an increase in the annual appropriation will be necessary. Most earnestly we urge the Venerable Commission to consider our appeal favorably."

## NATCHEZ.

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| Amount appropriated | | | $5,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | |
| Divine Word Missions | $1,700.00 | | |
| Josephite Missions | 1,700.00 | | |
| | | $3,400.00 | |
| Seculars—Indians | $ 350.00 | | |
| Negroes | 600.00 | | |
| | | $ 950.00 | |
| 9 Sisters' Schools | | 450.00 | |
| New Church, Pascagoula | | 200.00 | |
| | | $5,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | | $5,000.00 |

The following is taken from the complete and interesting report of Right Reverend Bishop Gunn:

"Owing to the fact that 56.3 per cent of the entire population of Mississippi is negro and that the Church is making little headway in harvesting the 'Colored,' it may be no harm to call your attention again to our difficulties and to suggest some means of bettering negro conditions in our midst.

"1. DIFFICULTIES:

"(*a*) *Racial*—Whether right or wrong there is one fact which must be taken into consideration. The South has no use for the Negro race, and its sympathy for the Negro individual is far from being disinterested. The Negro's salvation is a negligible consideration. This underlying permanent fact makes a Negro secular Priesthood an impossibility in our midst, and without that it is hard to convert the Colored race. If some one would establish a religious community of Negroes and for Negroes there might be a solution.

"(*b*) *Educational*—There is only one Negro Tuskegee in America. There should be one in every Southern State. Apart from those who live in cities, there is little done for whites or blacks in

the country. We have about 290,000 illiterates in Mississippi—most of them black—out of a population of nearly two million and these are the simon-pure American stock, as we have not quite 10,000 foreign-born immigrants. Our State appropriates about $10.00 per capita yearly for white education and $2.00 and a fraction for colored educational uplift.

"The Protestant Churches started soon after the Civil War to instruct the Negro. We started later, with the result which now affects both Negro quantity and quality. The Protestants have four million Negroes, the Catholics 300,000. Nearly all the leaders, doctors, lawyers and teachers are Protestants, while the hewers of wood and drawers of water are Catholics. In the Diocese of Natchez there are eighteen Protestant colleges and academies for Negroes, while the Catholic Church has only eighteen parochial schools. Compare that with the Protestant 'Straight' college in New Orleans, with 500 pupils, 96 professors—one to six pupils—at an annual educational payroll of at least $10,000.00. While churches like the Congregationalist might profitably learn from the Catholic Church the elements of faith and morals, we might learn from Protestants the elements of educational generosity towards the Negro and the Church's attitude to it. Catholic schools, primary and secondary, are as necessary for the conversion and preservation of the Negro as they are for the whites and until we have money to get both we are practically at a standstill.

"2. Work in Mississippi:

"Considering our limitations of men and money, we have to report increased zeal, interest and efficiency among our workers. Out of our sixty priests we give twelve, or one-fifth, exclusively to the colored work. These have separate churches and schools and no other assignment. All the priests give equal facilities to the Colored in their churches, with varying success.

"The best work is done in the Colored schools and we have one-fifth of all the Sisters in the Diocese, or 34, engaged exclusively in teaching the little picaninies. We have over 2,000 children—not all Catholics—but if we had the Sisters and the schools we could have half of all the Colored darkies of school age in the State. In Greenville over 150 children had to be turned away for want of accommodation last year.

"3. Our Needs:

"(*a*) *More Team Work*—We are left too much alone in the South to handle a problem that should interest the whole country. Why not let some of the big flourishing dioceses of the North and East adopt the Southern darky problem. We have so much big( try

and prejudice to fight from ignorant whites that we are handicapped for black work. Mississippi is offered for adoption with one million blacks to shepherd. More and better organized team work among the Dioceses is suggested.

"(*b*) *A Negro Tuskogee*—The Society of the Divine Word is prepared and willing to supply the needed number of priests, Sisters and Brothers. Land can be bought at $15.00 an acre and a tract of 1,000 would be necessary. Co-educational education would be tried where the boys could be taught farming and trades, and the girls domestic science. A Catholic Tuskogee in the heart of the Colored belt could open with 500 pupils and in a few years these would populate the State with at least something like near-Catholics and become the best of missionaries and propagandists everywhere. Such a Catholic Tuskogee would take care of our most urgent needs—orphanages and hospitals (neither in Mississippi), demonstration farms and schools, teaching trades, hygiene and domestic science, etc.

"(*c*) *A Religious Order* for Colored men and women, with the Ten Commandments for their Rule and a modified adaptation of the Evangelical Councils and some of the passive virtues as the back-bone of their constitution. Such an Order might succeed."

## NEW ORLEANS.

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| Amount appropriated | | $5,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Annunciation N. O. | $ 120.00 | |
| St. Mary's Academy (Sisters of Holy Family) | 360.00 | |
| St. Dominic's | 120.00 | |
| St. Catherine's | 100.00 | |
| St. Rose of Lima | 30.00 | |
| Corpus Christi | 140.00 | |
| Holy Ghost | 200.00 | |
| Xavier University | 500.00 | |
| Good Shepherd Sisters | 180.00 | |
| Baton Rouge | 250.00 | |
| Bayou Lacombe | 150.00 | |
| Bertrandville | 160.00 | |
| Convent, La. | 160.00 | |
| Donaldsonville | 200.00 | |
| Labadieville | 120.00 | |
| Madisonville | 120.00 | |
| Plaquemine | 100.00 | |
| St. Philip, La. | 60.00 | |
| | $3,070.00 | |
| N. B.—The balance of the donation of $5,000.00 was given to the Diocese of Lafayette. | | |
| Total Disbursements | | $5,000.00 |

Most Reverend Archbishop Shaw included in his report the following observations:

"During the past year I have had practical experience of the excellent missionary and educational work that is being done for our colored brethren by our zealous clergy and self-sacrificing Sisterhoods. As a rule their Churches and schools are very creditable buildings. While the Archdiocese is deeply indebted to the Commission, to Rev. Mother M. Katharine and Rt. Rev. Mgr. Burke of "Our Colored Missions" for generous appropriations and donations for the erection and maintenance of Churches and schools, still we cannot in this connection forbear paying a tribute to our Colored Catholics. Their generosity and self-sacrifice are truly commendable. Frequently have they given of their poverty, so much so as to be an example to their brethren of other and more prosperous parishes.

"Besides many more Churches and schools, what we need most imperatively for the evangelization and education of the many thousands of colored people in our midst is an ever increasing body of zealous priests and Sisters who have in their hearts the charity of Christ for the lowliest and humblest of His brethren. We have only words of grateful praise for the noble priests and Sisters who are now engaged with this ministry in the diocese. We have often marvelled at their perseverance and cheerfulness in the presence of difficulties and discouragements, and we can account for it only by the grace of God working by charity in their hearts.

"We realize that the Commission has many and urgent appeals, and some no doubt more pressing than ours, for financial help. However, we have every confidence that the Commission will duly recognize the great need we have for help to insure the continued success of our labors in the colored harvest. While our Colored Catholics are doing their best to help, yet if we do not receive donations from outside for the erection and maintenance of their Churches and schools, our missionaries and Sisters will not be able to bring back the thousands of fallen-away Catholics, or even to confirm in the faith those who are now practical. If we were able to reclaim merely those who have fallen away through no fault of theirs, we would easily have double the number of those who are now officially recognized as Catholics. The rising generation of Colored Catholic youth are most anxious for and most appreciative of a Christian education. Unless we are able to give them this boon in our schools many will be lost to the Church in the future. We are dismayed also at the hosts of Colored people now sitting in the shadow of death and darkness at our very doors. We are their debtors, yet we are unable to enlighten and educate them because our poverty denies us the facilities to reach them.

"Since our last report we are happy to record the erection of two fine Churches, a third in the course of erection, the purchase of a fine brick (Protestant) Church, and five lots in Algiers across the river (Mississippi), where a combination Church and school is to be built in the coming year. The various Religious Orders of Vincentians, Josephites, Benedictines and Fathers of the Holy Ghost have shown in the past year most commendable zeal to increase the religious and educational facilities of their various parishes and missions. Our own diocesan clergy have also manifested praiseworthy care and solicitude for the Colored members of their flocks."

## NEW YORK.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,600.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Benedict's Home, Rye | $ 300.00 | |
| St. Benedict's School, Rye | 600.00 | |
| St. Mark's | 900.00 | |
| Bahama Islands | 1,800.00 | |
| | $3,600.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $3,600.00 |

Very Reverend Monsignor John J. Dunn, Chancellor of the Archdiocese, submits the following concerning the different mission interests of the Archdiocese:

Report from St. Mark's—"Since last report we have reason to thank God for the progress made at St. Mark's. We have advanced on all lines, yet considering the large colored population here, a great deal more could be done, but we have our limitations. Over 450 children were in regular attendance in our school during the year. We had 212 Baptisms, 52 of these were converts. The Y. M. C. A. and other non-Catholic agencies are spending large sums of money, here in Harlem, to capture the colored youths. It is a pity a Catholic organization like the Knights of Columbus is not big and broad enough to let down the bars which keep their colored brother in the Faith from enjoying the many (not social) privileges of this society. The Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Masons, etc., are ever ready to receive them, and alas many Catholics are found in their ranks. To counteract the evil influence of these societies, we must have means by which some social and recreational advantages can be opened up for our young people. We respectfully request the Venerable Commission to help us along these lines."

Report from St. Benedict's—"We wish to enlarge the school, but at present the financial conditions are such that this is impossible. Through the school, small as it is, we have come in touch with children, whom the Church did not reach. Non-Catholic parents are

very willing to have their children baptized, and in some cases begun to take instructions themselves."

Report from the Bahama Islands—"Since the time (1918) covered by the statement the donation ($2,000) so generously made by the Diocesan authorities in March is being applied to making necessary repairs to buildings and regaining the Mission's financial standing in the community.

"I hope the Venerable Board of Colored Missions will, if possible, increase its last year's allotment of $2,000 ($1,800) so as to enable us to reopen the Riding Rock school at San Salvador (Watling's Island) and to build a school at the Pinder Settlement on Andros Island. The school was to be opened last week in a rented native hut. The prospect is for an attendance of some 50 or 60 children, but until we have our own building there is little assurance to the natives of permanency.

"The financial condition was of course much relieved by the diocesan donation and within the last two weeks the bungalow, which was tenantless for two years, was let at a rental of $1,700 for a year beginning September 1st.

"I have also received proposals to rent the Rectory for the winter months which I shall accept on condition of reserving office and room for myself. During the 26 years of my occupancy of the Rectory—or Priory as it is generally known—only about $800 have been spent on it converting it from a military hospital to a rectory and in repairs on it. It is thus evident that it is sadly in need of repair. I shall not let it for less than $1,500 and that amount at least will be required for a thorough overhauling. But even these rentals will not diminish the urgent need of at least $2,000 from the Board."

## NORTH CAROLINA.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| School, Newbern | $ 200.00 | |
| Pastor, Newbern, Reverend J. J. Brodie | 250.00 | |
| School, Newton Grove | 200.00 | |
| Pastor, Newton Grove, Reverend M. A. Irwin | 50.00 | |
| St. Benedict's School, Abbey | 200.00 | |
| St. Joseph's School, Abbey | 200.00 | |
| Enlarging St. Benedict's School | 200.00 | |
| Rev. Charles B. Winckler, S.S.J., Wilmington | 1,200.00 | |
| | $2,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,500.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Haid writes: "Reverend Father J. J. Brodie, S.S.J., has a difficult task in Newbern, but I feel he is

doing very well, and will succeed in his good work. The Dominican Sisters in Newton Grove have a goodly number of children, mostly Catholics in their school, and Father Irwin is zealous as ever and beginning to see good results, as the younger people are growing up. The school promises well.

"Both St. Benedict's and St. Joseph's Schools at the Abbey are doing excellent work, and are attended by 75 children, nearly all Catholics. We were obliged to enlarge St. Benedict's School.

"Reverend Father Winckler, S.S.J., with the Franciscan Sisters in Wilmington, N. C., is doing splendid work. More than 250 children attend the school. I confirmed 30 last Sunday, 7 adults. The Franciscan Convent bought last year is just the right place."

## PITTSBURGH.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Benedict's Church | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

Reverend William F. Satedelman, C.S.Sp., Pastor of St. Benedict's, writes with the endorsement of the Right Reverend Bishop: "The instruction classes are well patronized. The increased number of converts augurs encouragingly for the future. We are hopeful."

## RICHMOND.

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| Amount appropriated | | $4,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Richmond Schools | $1,800.00 | |
| Alexandria Schools | 1,000.00 | |
| Norfolk Schools | 1,700.00 | |
| | $4,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $4.500.00 |

We quote the following letter from Right Reverend Bishop O'Connell:

"If we are to reach the non-Catholic Negroes we must establish ourselves within the thickly populated areas. In Richmond with a Negro population of over 50,000 our church in 1918 had over 254 Baptisms. As you will notice from our report, we have 300 children in our school. At Norfolk, with a population of 40,000 Negroes, we have a well established and flourishing mission with a school of over 300 children. While the Negro population of Alexandria is not so large the school attendance there has within two years increased over 100 per cent. Newport News, where we are to open

a new mission this fall, has a population of about 35,000. A church and school is needed there badly. I most earnestly beg the Venerable Commission to increase my allowance so that we can make a creditable start at Newport News.

"Before October of this year I hope to purchase land at Portsmouth, Va. That is a great Negro center with as large a population almost as Norfolk. The Negroes in Portsmouth have very fine churches and I feel that we should erect there a building that will command the respeect of the native population. This will cost money, but I believe it will be money well spent.

"We are now facing the need of secondary education for our colored Catholic children. In Richmond and Norfolk we are partially meeting this need. To meet it adequately we must have better teaching and a larger equipment. The secondary education of the Negro, here as elsewhere, is very largely in the hands of non-Catholics and you can see that if we are to hold our children and keep their faith active we must be able to give them what they can get so easily elsewhere."

## ST. AUGUSTINE.

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| Amount appropriated at meeting | $4,000.00 |
| Special appropriation for Jacksonville Church | 5,000.00 |

*Disbursements:*

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| Jacksonville School | $ 300.00 | |
| St. Augustine School | 450.00 | |
| Hur City School | 300.00 | |
| Fernandina School | 300.00 | |
| Key West School | 300.00 | |
| Tampa School | 300.00 | |
| St. Benedict's Parish, St. Augustine | 300.00 | |
| Paid on Lot for Colored Church, Jacksonville | 9,700.00 | |
| | $11,900.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $11,900.00 |

"In the city of Jacksonville," writes Right Reverend Bishop Curley, "we had to pay twelve thousand dollars for a lot on which to erect a combination church and school for the Colored Catholics of the city. We have now blue prints of the building which owing to the present high prices will cost between forty-five and fifty thousand dollars. We hope to have a flourishing parish in Jacksonville inside a year. A Josephite Father has already been appointed to the new parish. In the near future we hope to have a resident priest for the Colored in Tampa. Today we are planning for a separate parish in Key West.

"Our schools are doing good work everywhere, and a notable amount of cohesiveness is becoming apparent in the work. It is difficult, uphill striving, but we must keep at it. Results with God's help will come. Were it not for the aid given us by the Bureau, the work could not be kept up."

## ST. LOUIS.

Amount appropriated ..... $1,500.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. St. Elizabeth's Church, St. Rita's Academy and St. Francis' Orphan Asylum, Normandy, are mentioned in the application as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Reverend Joseph P. Lyman, Pastor of St. Elizabeth's Church, writes: "The coming summer we hope to have the first graduates of the Junior High School. The Junior High School is what takes with even our Catholic Colored. Another class room building is necessary. The Sisters are giving two rooms of their building. The average attendance formerly at the old school was 10 pupils. Last year we had an enrollment of 210." The Reverend Father appeals for aid for St. Rita's Academy and St. Frances' Orphan Asylum.

## SAN ANTONIO.

Amount appropriated ..... $3,000.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. St. Peter Claver's Church and School, St. Catherine's Church and School, and Holy Redeemer Church and School are mentioned in the report as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

We quote the following from the report of Right Reverend Bishop Drossaerts:

"The large school attendance and the interest shown by an increased number of grown people gives hope of a steady if not phenomenal growth of Catholicity among the Colored people of San Antonio. Splendid work was done by our Josephite Fathers on the occasion of the execution of the Negro soldiers condemned by martial law for their participation in the Houston riots. Of the 18 condemned and executed men, six were converted to the Faith, died a most edifying death. The one who was executed the last of all was, as the day of his death approached, frantic with agonizing fear. No one could do anything with him. Father Welbers was finally

called in a few days before the fatal hour. The poor man eagerly listened to the words and instructions of the priest; became meek and resigned to his hard fate; was baptized and died a brave and truly Christian death. Father Kane who had accompanied the other condemned men also testifies to the wonderful power our Holy Religion exerted on these poor men in their awful last hours in jail and on the scaffold. The Josephite Fathers are certainly doing a great and noble work in San Antonio, and although it is hard and uphill work—missionary work in the true sense—their zeal and devotion is slowly but surely extending God's kingdom among our Negro population.

"As for the work of the Sisters of the Holy Ghost and of the Holy Family the large attendance at their schools says more than words of mine could tell of their devotion to this Mission and of the confidence of our Colored people in the Catholic teachers of our Sisterhoods."

## SAVANNAH.

Amount appropriated ..... $6,000.00

*Disbursements:*

Very Reverend Father Lissner writes: "On account of war prices and increases in all lines on materials and wages, the general mission fund was concentrated and provisions were made according to the actual needs of every mission in order to join both ends."

Father Lissner includes these remarks in his report: "We want more Catholic schools, priests and Sisters. All the success of missionary work among the Colored people must be principally attributed to good schools supervised by intelligent and zealous priests. A school without a priest is as useless as a Church without a priest. A zealous priest must look to the school as his principal instrument to work out the salvation of the Negro.

"We here in America have a chance in missionary work at our own doors. We have not realized it as yet. In Savannah we have only nine schools. If we could support one hundred, every one would be overcrowded, and would be the nursery of a new parish. The Negroes have too many Churches and preachers and very few teachers and schools. The home missions should dispose of a fund ten times as large as it is at present, and we would then have great results."

## WILMINGTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Reverend J. A. Glancy, for support of mission | $ 600.00 | |
| Reverend J. A. Glancy, for school | 400.00 | |
| | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

"Very Rev. Louis B. Pastorelli, S.S.J., Superior of the Josephite Fathers, is deeply interested," writes Right Reverend Bishop Monaghan, "in the work for Colored people in this diocese, and hopes to increase the number of his priests here very soon. Meantime, the work of the Josephite Fathers and Franciscan Sisters is deserving of all praise, and is highly appreciated by the people to whom they are devoting their lives."

# MISSION WORK AMONG THE INDIANS

## ALASKA.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Hot Springs' Foundation and St. Mary's, Adularak | $3,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $3,000.00 |

## BAKER CITY.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Joseph's Church and St. Andrew's School | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

We publish a letter written by Right Reverend Bishop McGrath:

"May I submit to you, as the Secretary of the Indian Commission, a very urgent need that exists among the poor Indians in the Southeastern part of my diocese. Klamath Falls is the center for these Indians, and the zealous pastor of this city, Father Hugh Marshall, by his earnest petitions that I enable him to bring the Light of Faith and the consolations of religion to these unfortunate people, has so moved me that I may not refuse his so apostolic request. Yet the finances of this diocese are such that I have not whereof to give. In my distress I come to you, knowing your great interest in any worthy plan that will be for the good of the Indians. These Indians, about four hundred in number, are settled in various parts of Klamath County. They belong principally to the Modoc and Klamath tribes. Very few of them are Catholics at the present time, though a generation or two ago many must have belonged to the Church, as the old people of the tribes have the Catholic prayers and customs, and some of them can recall the black-robes. The Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, and the Shakers came among them with the result that today they have no religion at all. Their churches are closed, the members are in dissention, but the thinking ones clamor for the Gospel to be preached to them.

"Under present conditions lack of time and money prevent Father Marshall from meeting the situation. The parish is large and the missions are scattered. The railroad touches only one point, the others must be reached by stage, and whether one travels by rail-

road or stage three or four days must be taken for each mission visit, whereas one would suffice if the Klamath Father had an automobile. Father Marshall has no car, and he cannot spare the time without one.

"Also the heavy traveling expenses forbid frequent or monthly visits. For example: Yainax is forty miles from Klamath; the round trip with one day's stay, amounts to more than twenty dollars. So too with Fort Klamath, distant forty-five miles, the Agency thirty-five miles, Bonanza thirty miles, and Bly distant sixty miles. Father Marshall cannot afford these expenses as he is even relinquishing his salary to meet Klamath's financial burdens.

"Monseignor Ketcham visited Klamath Falls in the interests of the Indians and he seemed to realize at the time that something must be done if these poor souls are to be saved. He promised to send a catechist as soon as possible. But this will not help in the necessary visits of the priest.

"It is in these straits, Very Reverend Father, that I appeal to you for help. If you could supply Father Marshall with a car, and set aside a certain amount for his traveling expenses while visiting the Indians, I can assure you, with my knowledge of Father Marshall's self-sacrificing zeal, that the Indians will have the Gospel preached to them, and the good seed thus sown, God will give the increase."

## BISMARCK.

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| **Amount appropriated** | | **$1,000.00** |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| **Elbowoods Mission** | **$1,000.00** | |
| **Total Disbursements** | | **$1,000.00** |

Right Reverend Bishop Wehrle writes:

"The total number of the Indians in my diocese is about the same as reported in last year's report. We have three Indian districts:

"1. Fort Yates, the greater part of the Catholics living in North Dakota, some in South Dakota. These are in charge of the Benedictine Fathers from Conception, Mo. Four Fathers devote their life to the Indian Missions, two of them partly in South Dakota, but all doing some mission work in North Dakota. Two of them have no white Catholics under their care; the other two have mostly Indians under their care, but also some white people. This Mission is well developed, the Indian Catholics are usually good and zealous Catholics.

"Among them we had during the year more than 110 Baptisms, all children with the exception of six adult converts; we had 32

Catholic funerals among these Indians.

"At the Government school at Fort Yates the biggest number of pupils are Catholics; 13 Benedictine Sisters are engaged there as teachers and 6 or 7 of them are receiving their salary from the government, the others help in the work in order to make it possible for those paid by the government to attend to their religious duties properly and to teach the children as far as it may be done in a government school the Catechism, etc.

"The priests there receive from the missions and some friends about enough to pay their own expenses.

"2. Elbowoods.—This Mission among about 900 Indians of whom the greater number are either Catholics or Catechumens is since 1910 in charge of two Benedictine Fathers from Richardton, N. D. One resides at Elbowoods, the other has for the last four months resided at Van Hook, and attends from there the Missions Shell Creek and Independence while the Missions Armstrong and Crow Heart are attended from Elbowoods.

"There is a Catholic school for Indians at Elbowoods; Benedictine Sisters who have a Convent there are the teachers; they usually have some 35 to 40 boarders, nearly all of them Indians. White people have bought up a great deal of land around Elbowoods; thus the congregation there has lost quite a number of Indians who moved south of the Missouri and attend the Crow Heart Mission. Baptisms, 26 children, 6 adults.

"The past year has in many ways been very discouraging; nearly 100 of our Catholic Indians died, mostly of the flu, among them some of the most influential Indians, as the Chief Good Bear, who was a most zealous Catechist and contracted the sickness while preparing others for a happy death. The greatest difficulty in the Mission work here and also in Fort Yates is this: The Indians are very much scattered over the reservation, each living on his allotted land; having so few priests for them it is impossible to have Mass in their churches every Sunday; in some missions they have only one Sunday the month their regular service. They are naturally forgetful, hence it becomes almost a necessity to visit them and instruct them in their own houses, and how many times the priest tries to visit them, he finds their houses empty and them gone on some visit. If the same labor were devoted to the conversion of white people as must be devoted to these Indians in order to get any results at all, we would have converts by the ten thousands and we would have very few Catholics losing their faith.

"3. Trenton.—This is a settlement of 24 half-breed Chipaways families, families with plenty of children, living outside of the reservation on their homestead lands. These people must depend entirely

upon their own industry and they are doing as well as other settlers. They have their church and Mass at regular times and a zealous Catholic lady gives catechism instruction to them every week. They contribute at least a little towards the support of their priest. Among them were also more deaths this year than births on account of the flu.

"I beg the Commission for Catholic Missions for at least six hundred dollars or, if possible, one thousand dollars to be spent for Elbowoods Mission School; this school has to be kept up and there are no other funds but what we get from the Commission and the few dollars which some of the more industrious and truly Catholic Indians will contribute. For the other missions I have to make smaller financial sacrifices, as for example, paying the insurance for their chapel, etc.; but in general they can get along without any great financial help."

## BOISE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Joseph's Mission, Slickpoo | $1,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,500.00 |

The following statement of Reverend Father Cataldo, S.J., has the hearty endorsement of Right Reverend Bishop Gorman: "The difference between Desmet and Slickpoo missions is this that the Coeur d'Alene Indians were converted by the Fathers before the preachers could go to them, and when they were converted they gave to the mission three sections of good land (about 2,000 acres), and they had that donation inserted in their treaty with the Government, and with that the mission is self-supporting. The Indians of the Slickpoo mission were invaded by a band of preachers before the Fathers could visit them, and a good number of the tribe were inoculated with the most virulent hatred against the Catholic Church, hence most of the difficulties. This mission has been struggling from its very beginning against many troubles, but especially since the great fire that destroyed all the plant in August 1916."

## CORPUS CHRISTI.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Payment on Falfurrias Indian School Lots | $ 200.00 | |
| Payment on San Diego Indian School Lots | 200.00 | |
| Enlarging McAllen Indian School | 200.00 | |
| Repairs Mission Indian Chapel | 200.00 | |
| Roma Indian School | 100.00 | |

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| Corpus Christi Sacred Heart Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Corpus Christi Blessed Sacrament Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Laredo Indian Orphanage | 100.00 | |
| Kingsville St. Martin's Indian School | 200.00 | |
| Taft Holy Family Indian Chapel | 100.00 | |
| Robstown St. Anthony's Indian School | 200.00 | |
| Laredo Sacred Heart Indian Chapel | 100.00 | |
| Laredo Guadalupe Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Harlingen Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Rio Grande City Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Goliad Indian School | 100.00 | |
| Tivoli Indian Chapel | 100.00 | |
| Rockport Indian Mission | 100.00 | |
| Holy Cross Colored Church and School, Corpus Christi | 600.00 | |
| | $3,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $3,000.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Nussbaum writes:

"War and pestilence have caused the greatest suffering to our poor Mexican Indian. The war has led many to migrate, and pestilence has raged violently among them. In the spring a tornado damaged some of our missions in the Rio Grande Valley. But worse than war and pestilence and tornados is the havoc wrought among the Mexican Indians by the Protestant Seminary situated in Laredo. This proselytizing institution has an enrollment of over four hundred Mexican boys and girls, whom they are training up to be Protestant missionaries among their own along the Rio Grande. To counteract these evil influences, and preserve the faith among these people, and improve their living conditions, our zealous and self-sacrificing priests and Sisters are persevering in their untiring efforts. I am happy to report however, that in spite of our many set-backs, we have begun the building of a small chapel for Mexican Indians in the mining camp of San Jose outside of Laredo, and also will open a new school for Mexican children in the historic town of Goliad, which was the State Capital in the days of the Texan Republic. Owing to our poor accommodations and few teachers, the opening of the new school term always brings us great grief because the children who frequented our schools must pass on to the public school, as we have no room to grade them. To keep their children a year longer under Catholic influence the priests and teachers are constantly appealing for funds to enlarge their little frame school building. But we are happy to have the children for one year under Catholic instruction, and depend on Providence for the means to help us to keep them longer. I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to the Honorable Commission for Catholic Missions among the Colored People and the Indians for the help they have given us in the past, and I beseech them to continue their allotment to this new missionary diocese."

## CROOKSTON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $3,300.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Reverend Felix Nelles, O.S.B., for Rectory | $ 800.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 800.00 |

## DULUTH.

No appropriation made in 1918, as no application was received. Right Reverend Bishop McNicholas earnestly recommends the appeal of Reverend Father Lampe, O.S.B., for aid this year.

## EL PASO.

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| Amount appropriated | | $ 500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Joseph's Mission, Mescalero | $ 500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 500.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Schuler writes: "The aid which you sent was badly needed on account of a more widespread poverty and a great deal of sickness among the Indians. The offering was a generous one, but every dollar of it will be made to do as much good as possible by the good Franciscan Father who, thank God, has charge of the mission."

## GRAND RAPIDS.

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| Amount appropriated | $ 900.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | |
| No itemized statement received. | |

## GREAT FALLS.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Labre's Mission | $2,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,500.00 |

"I am pleased to report," observes Right Reverend Bishop Lenihan, "that the prospects for converting many adult Indians in our different Indian missions are most encouraging. I attribute the good results attained and the bright prospects for converting many Indians in the different missions to the untiring labors and apostolic zeal of both priests and Sisters; to the Indian catechists and to the substantial assistance given by Mother Katharine Drexel and the Commission for Catholic Missions. Monsignor William H.

Ketcham, by his natural love for the Indians' welfare and his Governmental office, has caused the different Indian Agents to respect the rights of our Catholic Indians, and has greatly encouraged the Ordinary and missionaries in working for the temporal and eternal welfare of the aborigines."

## HELENA.

Amount appropriated ..... $1,000.00

The following is taken from a letter sent by Right Reverend Bishop Carroll:

"Although I think I have already written to you about the matter, still I believe *'melius est abundare quam deficere.'* I refer to the offering for our Indian Missions, which you have been so kind as to send me for some years past. For the last two years you have been sending me $1,000.00. I am wondering whether I could persuade you to send me $1,500.00 this year. The drought has been so serious in the parishes you formerly helped that I am afraid the poor pastors will not be able to make ends meet on the allowance I have heretofore made them. As I explained to you before, these parishes have been established in Indian localities, now opened up to white settlement, and were formerly attended by the good Jesuit Fathers. The white settlers have not yet come in sufficient numbers to maintain these parishes and we are obliged to attend the Indians who, of course, contribute nothing. The white settlers were, unfortunately, practically burned out this year. The parishes I would like to help are Browning, Augusta, Plains, Ronan and Polson.

"Pray that the development of irrigation projects already existing and the installation of new ones now promised us by the government and the State will, in the not distant future, make it unnecessary for me to call on you for help."

## LEAD.

Amount appropriated ..... $2,800.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. Rev. Vincent Frech, O.S.B., Rev. Francis Gerschweyler, O.S.B., Rev. S. Eisenmann, O.S.B., Rev. John Vogel, Rev. E. J. McGonigal, Rev. H. Hersch, Rev. E. A. Henault, Rev. J. H. Goelden, Rev. H. Groetegeers, S.J., who represents the Jesuit Fathers at the Pine Ridge Reservation and Rev. E. Buechel, S.J., head of the Jesuit Fathers in the St. Francis Mission, are mentioned in the application as the beneficiaries of the appropriation.

Right Reverend Bishop Lawler writes: "More Churches should be built, more catechists should be employed, and here and there priests' houses should be erected in order to afford the Indians anything like the religious attention they should receive. The Indians themselves complain bitterly of the lack of catechists and of the long distances they are required to travel to hear Mass."

## MARQUETTE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,250.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Two Priests | $ 500.00 | |
| Day and Boarding School at Assinins | 750.00 | |
| | $1,250.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,250.00 |

## NUEVA SEGOVIA, P. I.

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| Amount appropriated | | $2,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| The Bontok mission | $2,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $2,500.00 |

Reverend Father Billiett, in charge of the Bontok Mission, writes with the endorsement of Right Reverend Bishop Hurth: "With God's help and through the generosity of the Commission, we were able to keep up the work without having to abandon any place, as we feared last year, owing to the reduction in numbers of the missionary priests. Only two schools in the Banko Mission have been closed temporarily. On the other hand, God blessed the work with a great increase in the record of Baptisms and nearly 800 people in Bontok-Banko received Confirmation. This makes us look forward with bright hope. Now that the war is over we have received already the good tidings that some missionaries are about to start from Belgium. It will be a long time, however, before we are sufficient in numbers again to meet the spiritual needs of the neophytes and especially to develop and extend the work. For that reason our plan is to secure more native catechists. In two more places I have purchased a piece of land to erect small Chapels. Although I had no certain prospects for funds to keep catechists there, I was compelled to be the first to occupy these places, as the Protestants were already inspecting them."

## OGDENSBURG.

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| Amount appropriated | | $ 100.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| St. Regis' Mission | $ 100.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $ 100.00 |

## OREGON CITY.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |

Rev. Felix Bucher, S.D.S., Grand Ronde, Rev. Henry Pelletan, Newport, and Rev. Gall Eugster, O.S.B., Mt. Angel, are mentioned as the beneficiaries of the appropriation in the application.

## SAN FRANCISCO.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Sisters attending schools in Mendocino County | $1,126.20 | |
| Taxes and expenses, Lake County | 274.39 | |
| | $1,400.59 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,400.59 |

## SANTA FE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,500.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Reverend A. Weber | $1,100.00 | |
| Jemez Indians | 200.00 | |
| San Felipe Indians | 200.00 | |
| | $1,500.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,500.00 |

## SEATTLE.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Reverend C. Brusten, S.J. | $ 200.00 | |
| Reverend George Weibel, S.J. | 200.00 | |
| Reverend C. Powers, C.SS.R. | 150.00 | |
| Reverend P. O'Donnell | 150.00 | |
| Reverend Charles De Decker | 200.00 | |
| Reverend M. Murtagh | 100.00 | |
| | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

We quote in full the following letter from Right Reverend Bishop O'Dea:

"As the Commission for Catholic Missions among Colored People and Indians will meet next month, I consider it my duty to make known to the Most Reverend members the status of the Indian Missions in the Diocese of Seattle, with the view of obtaining an adequate allowance for the support of these missions and of preventing, as far as possible, the numerous Indians under my charge from losing their faith and their souls.

"There are in the Diocese of Seattle about eight or nine thousand Indians, the majority of whom should be Catholics, but have wandered from the fold for want of funds to properly care for them. The following pastors have Indians under their jurisdiction: Rev. P. O'Donnell, Everett, Tulalip Indians; Jesuit Fathers, Yakima, Yakima Indians; Redemptorist Fathers, Seattle, Suquamish Indians; Rev. M. Murtagh, LaConner, Swinomish Indians; Rev. R. Ryan, Hoquiam, Gray's Harbor Indians; Rev. Fr. Albert, O.S.B., Port Angeles, Neah Bay Indians; Rev. Joseph Schmidt, Ferndale, Lummi Indians; Rev. E. Duffy, Auburn, Muckleshoot Indians; Rev. T. Madigan, Elma, Montesano Indians; Rev. P. J. Ryan, Wenatchee, Chelan Indians; Rev. Jesuit Fathers, Tacoma, Puyallup Indians; Rev. Benedictine Fathers, St. Martin's College, Lacey, Olympia Peninsula.

"As I have up to the present received from the Commission an annual allowance of only five and, at most, eight hundred or a thousand dollars, all of these devoted missionaries, except three or four, have received nothing for their labors among the Indians, whom they attend regularly and frequently. In most instances they are obliged to pay their traveling and other expenses from the scanty revenues of their parishes, or from their own pockets, which they can ill afford to do.

"Three hundred and fifty or four hundred dollars for each of the above mentioned priests and Religious Orders, or five thousand dollars in all, is, in my opinion, a very reasonable annual allowance for the arduous labor inseparable from the duty of caring for the spiritual welfare of the Indian population under their care.

"May I not here also respectfully call the attention of the Commission to the St. George's Boarding School for Indian boys and girls of the diocese which has been for over thirty years furnishing food, clothing and medicine to thousands of young Indians of the Northwest, and educating them from the private funds of Mother Katharine and the Rev. Charles De Decker, the self-sacrificing secular priest in charge of the institution from the beginning. During all these years Father De Decker has received nothing for his truly heroic service. He intimated to me recently that he may not be

able to continue long to support the school as his funds in Belgium have greatly diminished since the war. What will become of this excellent school if he and Mother Katharine fail to support it? The diocese cannot do so. Should not the Commission at its next meeting take this subject under advisement, at least, that it may be prepared to render aid to the school in the time of need, and avert a real spiritual disaster from thousands of helpless Indian children? Would it not be just and right to allow Father De Decker now a thousand dollars a year for his services, and thereby make the annual allowance to the diocese six, instead of five thousand dollars?"

## SPOKANE.

Amount appropriated ..... $1,500.00

*Disbursements:*

No itemized statement of disbursements given. Rev. C. Caldi, S.J., St. Mary's Mission, Rev. H. J. Schuler, S.J., Colville Mission, and Rev E. M. Griva, S.J., Nespelem, are mentioned in the report as beneficiaries of the appropriation.

The following items are taken from the report of Right Reverend Bishop Schinner:

"My expenses are increasing," writes Father Griva, "and my work grows more difficult. It becomes more and more evident that the children who go to Cushman, Chimawa and other Government schools, gradually become indifferent in matters of faith; they do not attend Mass on Sundays, nor do they ever come to receive Holy Communion. And yet nearly all the parents now send their children to those schools. It is not very difficult to foretell what the present and future generations will be in the territory of which I have charge, unless a Catholic school is built."

From northern part of the Okanogan district Father Sondergeld sends the following appeal: "I have in my district between 23 and 30 Indian families who, I am happy to say, are more than anxious to attend the divine servicees. I intend to rebuild an old church edifice for them. The Indians have shown their willingness by a voluntary contribution of $51 towards the project; but this is far from sufficient. I need at least $250 more before their desires can be realized. I would be pleased indeed, if the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions would come to the rescue."

## SUPERIOR.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Reverend Philip Gordon and the Radcliff School | $1,000.00 | |
| Total disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

## TUCSON.

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| Amount appropriated | | $1,000.00 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Rev. Girard Brennecke, O.F.M., Apaches | $ 350.00 | |
| Rev. Vincent Armeiter, O.F,M., Pimas | 200.00 | |
| Rev. Nicholas Perschl, O.F.M., Papagos | 150.00 | |
| Rev. Anselm Weber, O.F.M., Navajos | 150.00 | |
| Rev. Justin Deutsch, O.F.M., Papagos | 150.00 | |
| | $1,000.00 | |
| Total Disbursements | | $1,000.00 |

Right Reverend Bishop Granjon writes: "The main effort this year is the founding of a Mission among the Apache Indians. The Reverend Gerard Brennecke, O.F.M., is in charge of the undertaking. He writes under date of July 21st, 1919: 'Within the next three weeks I hope that our new Church and residence will be under way. . . . On the feast of Mt. Carmel I performed my first Catholic Apache marriage.' The incident, however, simple, is significant, considering that the Apache, wildest of all Indians, has always been the most refractory."

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